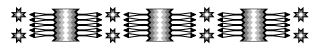




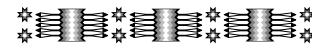
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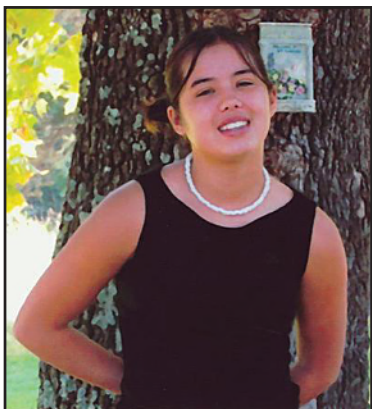
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Chickasaw Princess Pageant September 27 at Ada High

ADA, Okla. – The public is invited to attend the 2004 Chickasaw Princess Pageant at the Ada Cougar Activity Center adjacent to Ada High School Monday, Sept. 27 at 6 p.m.

Winners of Little Miss Chickasaw, Junior Miss Chickasaw and Miss Chickasaw will be announced during the ceremony. Pageant winners will begin their reign a few days later when Chickasaw Nation Governor Bill Anoatubby crowns them at the Chickasaw Annual Meeting.

The princesses are judged on interviewing skills, traditional Chickasaw dress, answering random questions, talent competition and poise on stage.

The Chickasaw Princesses have been making appearances for many years. The heritage of the princess goes back to 1963 when Ranell (James) Harry, daughter of former Chickasaw Governor Overton James, was appointed the first princess.

The princesses serve as ambassadors on behalf of Chickasaw people traveling to over 40 events across several states each year.

The 2003-2004 Chickasaw Princesses who will soon complete their reign are: Chickasaw Princess Kasie McDonald, Junior Miss Chickasaw Erin Brown and Little Miss Chickasaw Nakita Parnacher.

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Chickasaw Princess Candidates

Carla Lane



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Carla Danell Lane is the 18-year-old daughter of J.D. Lane and Janett (Brown) Lane. She is a student at Murray State College, Tishomingo, Okla.

"Why I would like to be the Chickasaw Princess"

Hello, my name is Carla Danell Lane. I am eighteen years old and I am a full time student at Murray State College. My major is nursing. After I graduate from the nursing program at Murray State College, I plan to attend the University of Oklahoma and specialize in the ER. After I finish all my schooling, I would like to get a job working at one of the tribal hospitals, so that I can give back to my

people.

I would like to be your 2004-2005 Chickasaw Princess because it would be a great honor and privilege to me if I was chosen to represent the Chickasaw Nation. I would be willing to go to all the events that I was scheduled to participate in and represent the Chickasaw Nation in a very well and respected manner.

I think that my heritage is very important and I would like to learn more about it. The language and traditions are dying out and I would like to be more involved with my tribe and help to learn more of the language and then teach it to others in the younger generation to keep it alive. I would also like to be the 2004-2005 Chickasaw Princess because I would like to travel to various places and meet other Princesses and learn about their culture and share mine with them.

It would mean a lot to me to be chosen for the 2004-2005 Chickasaw Princess as well as a good learning experience for me and I would do an excellent job representing the Chickasaw Nation as their princess.

Latisha Stick



Latisha Stick

Latisha Fawn Stick is the 17-year-old daughter of Martin and Loeta (Williams) Stick, Jr. She is a senior at Byng High School, Byng, Okla.

"Why I would like to be the Chickasaw Princess"

Pride, culture, honor, and respect are all words that come to mind when people think of the Chickasaw Princess. If I was to be selected princess, I will use my voice to help the Chickasaw people. As an active youth leader, I already know what issues are affecting native youth as we speak. I will use my position to make a difference.

One of my goals as princess would be to take a more active role, to go above and beyond what she usually does. I have traveled to many different places and I have met with many diverse tribal youth. Most of them can still speak their language and know their traditions. How

Monica Seawright



Monica Seawright

Monica Machel Seawright is the 17-year-old daughter of C. Wilson and Anita R. Cardile-Seawright. She is a senior at Ardmore High School, Ardmore, Okla.

"Why I would like to be the Chickasaw Princess"

Tomorrow will bring a new opportunity for us to achieve our goals. My goal is to be Chickasaw Princess. The Chickasaw Nation has a past, present, and a future. The past is our ancestors, the present is the people today, and the future belongs to the children. They all play equally important roles in each other's lives. What we learn now in the present comes from mistakes and achievements of the past. What we learn can go towards

the improvement of the future. As Chickasaw Princess I can help improve the Chickasaw Nation.

As the next Chickasaw Princess it will give me more opportunities to talk to the elders and learn more about the past and what they believe is important for the future. I remember a time at the Chickasaw Renewal when I took time to talk to Wisey. Even though she is Seminole she had a lot to teach me. She told me stories and walked me through the process of making a stomp dance belt. I hope to learn more and be able to tell others what I have learned.

I was fortunate to have a great opportunity to represent the Chickasaw Nation as Little Miss Chickasaw (94-95) and Junior Miss Chickasaw (99-00). Those

were two of the best years of my life. It was a privilege because I had opportunities that most people never have. Those years have inspired me to learn as much as I can about my people so I share with others.

People need to know more about our culture so that it can be passed on throughout history. As Chickasaw Princess I would tell others as much as I know to prevent our culture from dying. I am proud of who I am and want others to know it. I am Chickasaw.

It would be a great honor to represent the Chickasaw Nation as the next Chickasaw Princess. If I am chosen, I know that I represent the Chickasaw Nation to the best of my ability, with pride and willingness to give 100 percent in all my duties.

Lillian Wade



Lillian Wade

Lillian Faith Wade is the 17-year-old daughter of Randy Wade and Nancy (Johnson) Wade. She is a senior at Tishomingo Alternative Academy, Tishomingo, Okla.

"Why I would like to be the Chickasaw Princess"

My name is Lillian Wade. I am seventeen years old and a senior at Tishomingo Alternative Academy. I am currently the vice president of our Chickasaw Nation Youth Council. I am a member of the Temple of God Youth in Connerville, Okla.

I have always lived outside of the Chickasaw Nation until

seven years ago this past April when my family and I moved back from Virginia. Since I have moved back I have learned about my heritage as a Chickasaw person. I joined the Chickasaw Dance Troupe, which was a big part of my heritage learning experience. I have found the history of the Chickasaw people to be very interesting. What I have learned so far has helped me to get a better understanding of the person I am and will become in the future.

I have never participated in a pageant but have attended many of the Princess pageants and enjoyed the atmosphere and the excitement that surround the pageant. Running for Chickasaw Princess and being involved in the pageant process would be an honor and very exciting.

To be chosen as the Chickasaw Princess for the 2004-2005 reign I believe to be a great honor and accomplishment. Attending tribal functions, meetings and getting to meet other people within the Chickasaw Nation and other tribes would be an awesome learning experience.

If chosen, I vow to represent this Great Chickasaw Nation with Honor and Respect!

Chickasaw Princess Candidates

Shelly Wall



Shelly Wall

Shelly Denise Wall is the 21-year-old daughter of Stephen Wall and Linda Greenwood.

"Why I would like to be the Chickasaw Princess"

For years, the Chickasaw Princesses have served as ambassadors of our tribe. They are the graceful figures that have been chosen to represent our people, our values and our history. Now, in this new era of prominence and prosperity for the Chickasaw Nation, it is important that these figures represent not only our commitment to preserving the past but also our passion for prospering our nation and the communities within it. Our princesses are representatives of who we are and what we stand for. I want to be a

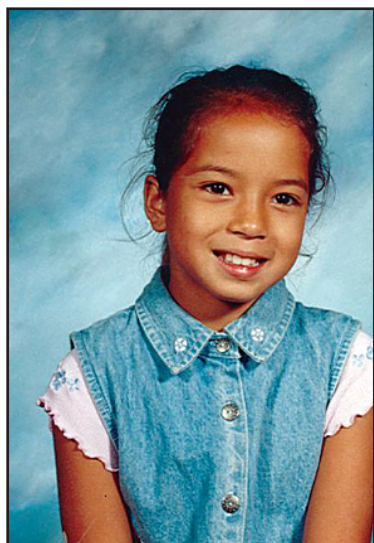
representative. I want to be Chickasaw Princess.

I know what it means to be Chickasaw. I learned our values at the feet of my grandmother, in the pews in my church, and around the fire at stomp dances. Then I exercised these values in meetings of the Chickasaw youth councils, in the classroom, and on my job. I want to share these values with my generation, the youth of our tribe. I want to continue to learn our values so that our elders can be certain our future is in capable hands. I want to exemplify these values for the world to see what makes the Chickasaw Nation the unique and formidable people we are today.

I am a product of the Chickasaw Nation and I believe I represent all that we have to be proud of: our past and our shining future. As Chickasaw people we are all ambassadors of the tribe no matter where we are or what we do. We are all the faces of the Chickasaw Nation. However, I would be blessed represent our people as the Chickasaw Princess; to proudly stand and declare for all to know *chikasha seyah* - I am Chickasaw.

Little Miss Chickasaw Candidate

Sesiley Robertson



Sesiley Robertson

Sesiley Shazay Robertson is the 11-year-old daughter of Ri-

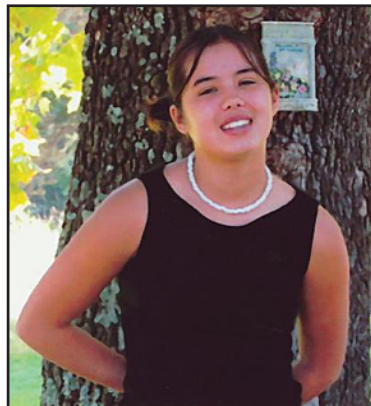
chard Robertson Jr., and Clarice Culberson. She attends the fifth grade at Tishomingo Grade School, Tishomingo, Okla.

"Why I would like to be Little Miss Chickasaw"

I would like to be Chickasaw Princess to support my tribe, country, and state. I would like to learn more about my tribe. I would like to do the fun activities and learn them as well. I would like to show my talent to see if it was good. I would like to see what Little Miss Chickasaw Princess is suppose to support and see what it stand for. Thank you for asking why I would like to be.

Chickasaw Junior Princess Candidates

Kelsie Huffman



Kelsie Huffman

Kelsie Cheyenne Huffman is the 14-year-old daughter of William Huffman and Angela (Reed) Smith. She is in the ninth grade at Madill Junior High,

Madill, Okla.

"Why I would like to be the Chickasaw Princess"

Hello, my name is Kelsie Huffman. I am 14 years old. I am Christian and a member of Blue Okchamali Baptist Church. I am 1/4 Chickasaw and I am very proud of that. My grandfather and great-grandmother were both full-blood Chickasaws.

I would like to be Chickasaw Junior Princess because I am very proud of my heritage, and by being an ambassador for the Chickasaws would allow others to see my pride. I also believe all young girls need a good role model to look up to when they

decide to run for a title that they really want.

Being Chickasaw Junior Princess has been a dream of mine for a very long time. I believe that Governor Anoatubby is an important role model to the Chickasaw Nation, and being Junior Princess, I took could be an important role model.

I would attend all meetings and coronations that area scheduled. I believe that everyone should take pride in their heritage and not be ashamed of who they are. I would be extremely honored to be Chickasaw Junior Princess. Thank you.

Kristen Walker



Kristen Walker

Kristen Nicole Walker is the 15-year-old daughter of Marvin Wayne and Deborah

(Alexander) Walker. She is in the ninth grade at Byng Junior High School, Byng, Okla.

"Why I would like to be the Chickasaw Princess"

I truly believe to hold the title of Chickasaw Jr. Princess would be an honor, and it would be my greatest pleasure to be one of the few who has held such a position.

My name is Kristen Nicole Walker, I am 15/16 Chickasaw and I am 15 years old. I have lived in the Ada area most of my life and have attended Byng School. I attend the stompdances and other cultural activities. I

have learned so much about my Chickasaw heritage. I am an active member of Mitchell Memorial United Methodist Church Youth. I am proud to say I attend one of the few churches that preach and sing in our native language.

With the support of my parents, church family, and with my Indian cultural background, I believe I would be a good role model and will continue the commitment and dedication of the Chickasaw Jr. Princess.

Thank you.

Tesia Worcester



Tesia Worcester

Tesia Elaine Worcester is the 14-year-old daughter of Roy and Dinah (Walker) Worcester. She is in the ninth grade at Stonewall High School, Stonewall Okla.

"Why I would like to be the Chickasaw Princess"

Chukma! Let me introduce myself, my name is Tesia Elaine Worcester. I'm 14 years old. All of my grandparents are from Chickasaw descendants. My parents are Roy and Dinah Worcester. I have an older sister, Tonya and a younger brother Jeremiah. My oldest brother's name is Michael Kane.

I am in the ninth grade and currently enrolled at Stonewall

High School. I am active with sports. I currently play on the Stonewall softball team. Playing on a sports program, I have to keep my grades as passing to be involved. I plan to keep my grades up if I was selected to serve as a candidate for the Chickasaw Nation Junior Princess.

I am a member of Blue Baptist Church. I am involved with youth activities at our church. First of this month, I went with our church to Falls Creek. We

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Tesia Worcester, continued

had a week long full of evening services and morning services. In the afternoons we had social gatherings with other youth around the camps. I enjoyed making new friends and getting to know our youth at the church. Larry Hawkins, our pastor, even played games with us which made us laugh.

I have been interested in our native culture and I continue learning Chickasaw histories. During my summer job with the Chickasaw Nation, I went to Camp Simpson and taught "Taloa" Chickasaw song. I was teaching a group of thirteen Cub Scouts in the class. I haven't forgotten my past but look to the future as being part of the Chickasaw Nation.

I love teaching, learning and

representing the Chickasaw Nation. I can remember the time when I served as the Little Miss Chickasaw Princess 2000-2001. I have grown to respect and take more pride of being Native American. I would love to take part of the Chickasaw Nation and the responsibility of being the next Junior Princess. It would be an honor to represent the Chickasaw Nation. One of the best things of being a Princess is to meet new Princesses and people as well as other tribes.

It would be an honor to represent the Chickasaw Nation, once again. This is why I would like to be a Chickasaw Nation Junior Princess.

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Thank you.



2003 - 2004 Chickasaw Royalty

2003-2004 Chickasaw Royalty, from left, Chickasaw Princess Kasi McDonald, Little Miss Chickasaw Nakita Parnacher, Chickasaw Junior Princess Erin Brown.

CHICKASAW ANNUAL MEETING & FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

August 29 – September 26, 2004 Chickasaw Art and Culture Exhibit

Five Week Series featuring Chickasaw Artists– each Sunday 1pm to 5pm

Jacobson House Native Art Center, 609 Chautauqua, Norman, OK

August 29, 2004 at 1p.m. – Opening & artist reception - 2005 CHS Artist Calendar Signing

Saturday, September 25, 2004

9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Jr. Olympics (THS)
 9 a.m. – until finished Slow Pitch Softball Tournaments (MSC/JCSC)
 9 a.m. – 5p.m. Chickasaw Art Market (Jacobson House Native Art Center – Norman)
 10 a.m. Volleyball Tournament (MSC/JCSC)
 12:30 p.m. – until finished Golf Tournament (Tishomingo Golf Course)
 6 p.m. – until finished Youth Night (Old Movie Theatre, Downtown Tishomingo)

Sunday, September 26, 2004

9 a.m. – 5p.m. Chickasaw Art Market (Jacobson House Native Art Center – Norman)

Monday, September 27, 2004

6 p.m. Chickasaw Princess Pageant (Cougar Activity Center – Ada)

Tuesday, September 28, 2004

9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Chickasaw Bank Museum open
 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Cultural Tours, Cultural Demonstrations (Capitol Grounds)
 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Kids' Fun to Learn Tent (Pennington Park)
 4 p.m. – 8 p.m. Cultural Evening (Kullihoma – Ada)
 4 p.m. – 8 p.m. Cultural Scout Night (Kullihoma – Ada)

Wednesday, September 29, 2004

9a.m. – 4 p.m. Chickasaw Bank Museum open
 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. Youthful Celebration (Tishomingo Wildlife Refuge)
 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Cultural Tours, Cultural Demonstrations (Capitol Grounds)
 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Kids' Fun to Learn Tent (Pennington Park)
 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Chickasaw Nation Senior Arts & Crafts (Capitol Grounds)
 Evening JC Riding Club Rodeo (Tee Pee Arena, Tishomingo)

Thursday, September 30, 2004

8 a.m. – 3 p.m. Youthful Celebration (Tishomingo Wildlife Refuge)
 9a.m. – 4 p.m. Chickasaw Bank Museum open
 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Cultural Tours, Cultural Demonstrations (Capitol Grounds)
 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Kids' Fun to Learn Tent (Pennington Park)
 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Chickasaw Nation Senior Arts & Crafts (Capitol Grounds)
 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Chickasaw Artists Exhibition (Capitol Building, 2nd Floor)
 6 p.m. Hall of Fame Banquet (MSC Ballroom)

Evening

Friday, October 1, 2004

8 a.m. – 3 p.m.
 9a.m. – 4 p.m.
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Saturday, October 2, 2004

7 a.m.
 8 a.m.
 9 a.m. – until finished
 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
 10 a.m.
 11:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
 11:30 a.m. – until finished

Following parade

Following parade

(MSC), Johnston County Library, Pennington Park, Capitol Building Pick-up times posted

at each stop.

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1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

6 p.m.

Dusk

Sunday, October 3, 2004

9 a.m. – until finished

JC Riding Club Rodeo (Tee Pee Arena, Tishomingo)

Youthful Celebration (Tishomingo Wildlife Refuge)

Chickasaw Bank Museum open

Cultural Tours, Cultural Demonstrations (Capitol Grounds)

Kids' Fun to Learn Tent (Pennington Park)

Chickasaw Nation Senior Arts & Crafts (Capitol Grounds)

Chickasaw Artists Exhibition (Capitol Building, 2nd Floor)

Talent Competition (Pennington Park)

Fast Pitch Softball Tournaments (JCSC/MSC)

5K Run & Walk Registration starts at 7 am with run to follow (Chickasaw Community Center Gym)

Chickasaw Citizens Registration (MSC & Capitol Grounds)

Chickasaw Annual Meeting (Fletcher Auditorium – MSC)

Chickasaw Nation Senior Arts & Crafts (Capitol Grounds)

Chickasaw Artists Exhibition (Capitol Building, 2nd Floor)

Chickasaw Bank Museum Open

Archery Tournament (MSC/JCSC)

Band Day Extravaganza (THS)

Parade (Main Street, Tishomingo)

"Old West Shoot-out" in front of Chickasaw Bank Building

Shuttle service begins. Scheduled route: Fletcher Auditorium

(MSC), Johnston County Library, Pennington Park, Capitol Building Pick-up times posted

at each stop.

Chickasaw Lunch (MSC Campus)

Horseshoe Tournament Registration (Pennington Park)

Pennington Park Activities Begin (Pennington Park)

Cultural Demonstrators (Capitol Grounds)

Horseshoe Tournament

Dance Troupe Demonstrations (Capitol Grounds)

Gates Open for Country Concert (MSC Rodeo Arena)

Fireworks Show and Lorrie Morgan Concert (MSC Rodeo Arena)

Final of Fast Pitch Tournament (MSC/JCSC)

MSC=Murray State College

JCSC=Johnston County Sports Complex

THS=Tishomingo High School

For additional information about the 2004 Chickasaw Annual Meeting & Festival, call 1-800-593-3356.